

5 **Amendments in the Claims:** (struck-through parts deleted and underlined parts added)

1. (currently amended) A tissue box holding device comprising:  
a panel, said panel having a rear edge, a forward edge and a pair of lateral side  
edges, said panel having a width from said rear edge to said forward edge  
generally between 1 inch and 2 inches;  
10 a pair of legs, each of said legs having a lower end being attached to and  
extending upwardly from said rear edge, said legs being spaced from each  
other such that each of said legs is positioned adjacent to one of said side  
edges, each of said legs being positioned in a plane orientated substantially  
perpendicular to a plane of said panel;  
15 a brace being attached to and extending between said legs;  
a bracket being attached to said legs and extending over said panel such that a  
plane of said bracket is orientated substantially parallel to said plane of  
said panel;  
a coupler being attached to an upper end of said legs for selectively coupling said  
20 legs to a vertical surface; and  
wherein a tissue holding box may be removably positioned on said panel and held  
against said legs by said bracket.

Claim 2 (cancelled)

- 25 3. (original) The device according to claim 2, wherein said panel has a length  
between said side edges generally between 4 inches and 5 inches.

4. (original) The device according to claim 2, wherein said panel has a length  
30 between said side edges generally between 9 inches and 10 inches.

5. (original) The device according to claim 2, wherein each of said legs has a  
height generally between 4 inches and 5 inches.

5           6.       (original) The device according to claim 2, wherein said bracket includes an elongated member and a pair of arms being attached to and extending away from opposite ends of said elongated member, said arms being orientated perpendicular to said elongated member, each of said arms having a free end with respect to said elongated member, each of said free ends being attached to one of said legs.

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          7.       (original) The device according to claim 6, wherein each of said legs has an outer edge with respect to each other, each of said free ends being positioned adjacent to a respective one of said outer edges of said legs.

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          8.       (original) The device according to claim 6, wherein said elongated member has a length substantially equal to said length of said panel.

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          9.       (original) The device according to claim 6, wherein said coupler includes a pair of hooks, each of said hooks being attached to one of said legs, each of said hooks extending in a direction opposite of said bracket.

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          10.      (original) The device according to claim 9, wherein each of said hooks includes a horizontal portion attached to said legs and a downwardly extending vertical portion spaced from said legs.

          11.      (original) The device according to claim 10, further including a support being attached to and extending between said vertical portions of said hooks.

30           12.      (previously presented) The device according to claim 11, wherein said support has at least two apertures extending therethrough, each of said apertures having an axis orientated perpendicular to said plane of said legs, said apertures being spaced from said hooks.

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Claims 13 and 14 (cancelled)

5           15.   (currently amended) A tissue box holding device comprising:  
a panel, said panel having a rear edge, a forward edge and a pair of lateral side  
edges, said panel having a width from said rear edge to said forward edge  
generally between 1 inch and 2 inches, said panel having a length between  
said side edges generally between 4 inches and 10 inches;  
10       a pair of legs, each of said legs having a lower end being attached to and  
extending upwardly from said rear edge, said legs being spaced from each  
other such that each of said legs is positioned adjacent to one of said side  
edges, each of said legs being positioned in a plane orientated substantially  
perpendicular to a plane of said panel, each of said legs having a height  
15       generally between 4 inches and 5 inches, each of said legs having an outer  
edge with respect to each other;  
a bracket being attached to said legs and extending over said panel such that a  
plane of said bracket is orientated substantially parallel to said ~~plain~~ plane  
of said panel, said bracket including an elongated member and a pair of  
20       arms being attached to and extending away from opposite ends of said  
elongated member, said arms being orientated perpendicular to said  
elongated member, each of said arms having a free end with respect to  
said elongated member, each of said free ends being attached to one of  
said legs, each of said free ends being positioned adjacent to a respective  
25       one of said outer edges of said legs, said elongated member having a  
length substantially equal to said length of said panel;  
a coupler being attached to an upper end of said legs for selectively coupling said  
legs to a vertical surface;  
a brace being attached to and extending between said legs; and  
30       wherein a tissue holding box may be removably positioned on said panel and held  
against said legs by said bracket.

16.   (currently amended) The tissue box holding device according to claim 15,  
wherein said coupler ~~comprises~~ includes a pair of screws each being removably  
35   extendable through a hole in each of said legs and into the vertical surface ~~each of said~~

5 ~~legs having a hole extending therethrough, each of said screws being removably~~  
~~extendable through one of said holes and into the vertical surface.~~

17. (previously presented) The tissue box holding device according to claim  
15, wherein said coupler including a pair of hooks, each of said hooks being attached to  
10 one of said legs, each of said hooks extending in a direction opposite of said bracket, each  
of said hooks including a horizontal portion attached to said legs and a downwardly  
extending vertical portion spaced from said legs, a support being attached to and  
extending between said vertical portions of said hooks, said support having at least two  
apertures extending therethrough, each of said apertures having an axis orientated  
15 perpendicular to said plane of said legs, each of said apertures being spaced from said  
legs.

18. (currently amended) A method of holding a tissue box comprising the  
steps of:  
20 providing a panel having a rear edge, a forward edge and a pair of lateral side  
edges, said panel having a width from said rear edge to said forward edge  
generally between 1 inch and 2 inches;  
providing a pair of legs, each of said legs having a lower end being attached to  
and extending upwardly from said rear edge, said legs being spaced from  
25 each other such that each of said legs is positioned adjacent to one of said  
side edges, each of said legs being positioned in a plane orientated  
substantially perpendicular to a plane of said panel, each of said legs  
having an outer edge with respect to each other;  
providing a bracket being attached to said legs and extending over said panel such  
30 that a plane of said bracket is orientated substantially parallel to said plane  
of said panel, said bracket including an elongated member and a pair of  
arms being attached to and extending away from opposite ends of said  
elongated member, said arms being orientated perpendicular to said  
elongated member, each of said arms having a free end with respect to  
35 said elongated member, each of said free ends being attached to one of

5           said legs, each of said free ends being positioned adjacent to a respective  
          one of said outer edges of said legs, said elongated member having a  
          length substantially equal to said length of said panel;  
          providing a coupler being attached to an upper end of said legs for selectively  
          coupling said legs to a vertical surface;  
10          providing a brace being attached to and extending between said legs;  
          positioning a tissue box on said panel such that said brace extends around said  
          tissue box; and  
          attaching said upper ends of said legs to a vertical surface with said coupler.

15          19.   (previously presented) The method according to claim 18, wherein said  
          coupler includes a pair of hooks, each of said hooks being attached to one of said legs,  
          each of said hooks extending in a direction opposite of said bracket, each of said hooks  
          including a horizontal portion attached to said legs and a downwardly extending vertical  
          portion spaced from said hooks.

20          20.   (previously presented) The method according to claim 19, wherein said  
          coupler further includes a support being attached to and extending between said vertical  
          portions of said hooks, said support having at least two apertures extending therethrough,  
          each of said apertures having an axis orientated perpendicular to said plane of said legs,  
25          each of a pair of screws being extended through one of said apertures in said support and  
          into said vertical surface.

          21.   (previously presented) The method according to claim 18, wherein said  
          coupler includes a pair of screws, each of said screws being selectively extended through  
30          one of a pair of holes in said legs such that said legs are attached to the vertical surface.